

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES.

APRIL 2, 1880.—Ordered to be printed.

Mr. WITHERS, from the Committee on Pensions, submitted the following

REPORT:

[To accompany bill H. R. 1465.]

*The Committee on Pensions, to whom was referred the bill (H. R. 1465) granting a pension to Levi Leedom, have carefully examined the same, and report:*

That the claimant alleges disability from varicose veins resulting from a wound received at Chancellorsville May 5, 1863, which ruptured a vein above the knee. His claim was rejected because there was "no record of varicose veins, and claimant was unable to furnish evidence of origin from his officers, or treatment in service by regimental surgeon."

The captain of his company testifies that he did receive a wound, as stated, but the injury must have been of a very trivial character, as he never applied for medical treatment, does not appear to have been at all disabled at the time, was discharged by expiration of term of service on the 18th day of May, with no mention of disability from any cause; never received any surgical treatment after he returned home, and never applied for a pension until September 18, 1877.

From all the evidence filed, the committee cannot find that the existing disability has been connected with, or is incident to, the injury alleged to have been received at Chancellorsville on the 5th of May, and therefore ask that the bill be indefinitely postponed.

